IN THE CLAIMS

1. (presently amended) The <u>method for treating nonallergic rhinitis in a patient comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a use of compounds components of the general formula (I)</u>

$$R^2$$
 R^3
 R^4

in-which wherein

 R^1 is $-C_1$ - C_6 -alkyl, straight-chain or branched-chain, saturated or partially unsaturated, where appropriate substituted one or more times by mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated carbocycles having 3-14 ring members or mono-, bi- or tricyclic saturated or mono- or polyunsaturated heterocycles having 5-15 ring members and 1-6 heteroatoms, which are preferably N, O and S, where the carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents in turn may be substituted where appropriate one or more times by -OH, -SH, -NH2, -NHC₁-C₆-alkyl, -N(C₁-C₆-alkyl)₂, -NHC₆-C₁₄-aryl, -N(C₆-C₁₄-aryl)₂, -N(C₁-C₆-alkyl)(C₆-C₁₄-aryl), -NO₂, -CN, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -O-C₁-C₆-alkyl, -O-C₆-C₁₄-aryl, -C₁-C₆-alkyl, -C₆-C₁₄-aryl or/and -COOH,

where each C_1 - C_6 -alkyl radical on the carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents may itself be substituted one or more times by -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -OH or/and C_6 - C_{14} -aryl, and where each C_6 - C_{14} -aryl radical on the carbocyclic and heterocyclic substituents may itself be substituted one or more times by -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -OH or/and C_1 - C_6 -alkyl,

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R², R³ may be hydrogen or –OH, it being necessary for at least one of the two substituents to be -OH;

R⁴ is a mono- or polycyclic aromatic carbocycle having 6-14 ring members or a mono- or polycyclic heterocycle having 5-15 ring members, where the heteroatoms are selected from N, O and S,

where appropriate substituted one or more times by -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -OH, -SH, -NH₂, -NH(C₁-C₆-alkyl), -N(C₁-C₆-alkyl)₂, -NH(C₆-C₁₄-aryl), -N(C₆-C₁₄-aryl)₂, -N(C₁-C₆-alkyl)(C₆-C₁₄-aryl), -NO₂, -CN, -O-C₁-C₆-alkyl, -O-C₆-C₁₄-aryl, -C₁-C₆-alkyl, -C₆-C₁₄-aryl or/and -COOH,

where each C_1 - C_6 -alkyl radical may itself be is optionally substituted one or more times by at least once with -F, $-C_1$, $-B_7$, -I, -OH, or/and $-C_6$ - C_{14} -aryl, and wherein each C_6 - C_{14} -aryl radical may itself be is optionally substituted one or more times by at least once with -F, $-C_1$, $-B_7$, -I, -OH or/and and C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, for the treatment of nonallergic rhinitis to a patient in need thereof.

2. (presently amended) The use as claimed in the method of claim 1,

characterized in that wherein

the <u>said compounds</u> compound are is selected from the group consisting of N-(3,5-dichloropyrid-4-yl)-[1-(4-fluorobenzyl)-5-hydroxyindol-3-yl]glyoxylamide (AWD 12-281), N-(3,5-dichloropyrid-4-yl)-2-[5-hydroxy-1-(4-hydroxybenzyl)-1H-indol-3-yl]glyoxylamide (AWD 12-322) and N-(3,5-dichloropyrid-4-yl)-[1-(2,6-difluorobenzyl)-5-hydroxyindol-3-yl]glyoxylamide semi-ethyl acetate (AWD 12-298) or the <u>and</u> pharmacologically acceptable salts thereof.

3. (presently amended) The use as claimed in method of claim 1, or 2, wherein

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characterized in that

the nonallergic rhinitis is selected from vasomotor rhinitis, nonallergic rhinitis with eosinophils syndrome, chronic sinusitis and rhinitis medicamentosa.

4. (presently amended) The use as claimed in method of claim 1, or 2 wherein,

characterized in that

the rhinitis eaused by infection is a symptom, not caused by allergy, of caused by infection with at least one of a viral, or bacterial, infection or of an infection with fungifungal or parasites or of a combination of the germs mentioned, parasitic infection and the rhinitis is selected from the group consisting of vasomotor rhinitis, nonallergic rhinitis with eosinophils syndrome, chronic sinusitis and rhinitis medicamentosa.